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H.B. No. 505

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 505:

By: Davis of Harris

C.S.H.B. No. 505

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to restrictions on lobbyist expenditures from certain  
3 political contributions.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 305, Government Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 305.029 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 305.029. EXPENDITURES FROM POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS  
8 RESTRICTED. (a) In this section, "political contribution,"  
9 "political committee," and "political expenditure" have the  
10 meanings assigned by Section 251.001, Election Code.

11 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person  
12 required to register under this chapter may not, before the second  
13 anniversary of the date the last term for which the person was  
14 elected ends, knowingly make or authorize, from political  
15 contributions accepted by the person as a candidate or  
16 officeholder, a political expenditure that is a political  
17 contribution to a candidate, officeholder, or political committee.

18 SECTION 2. Section 305.029, Government Code, as added by  
19 this Act, applies to an expenditure made on or after January 8,  
20 2019, from funds accepted as a political contribution, regardless  
21 of the date the funds were accepted.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 8, 2019.